The South 40

Leaf program is on March 17

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

The area Dark Fire Cured program will be held Thursday, March 17, 5 p.m. at the Appomattox County High School Cafeteria. All fire cured tobacco producers are invited.

A dinner meal will be provided; therefore, we will need to know how many will attend by March 10.

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Nomination forms for the Lynchburg Spring Feeder Cattle Sales have been mailed to those who traditionally sell in the spring sales.

According to recent reports, there are suppose to be 20,100 head of cows and calves on Appomattox farms. This would mean that 1500 to 1800 are dairy animals and the remainder beef cattle. There should be about 8000 head of calves to be marked.

The special sales are designed to provide the small producer with a means of bringing a large group of cattle together that are graded and sized according to breed and sex. Getting this done taken a little more work and organization, but the payoff is greater.

Most studies will show a $12 to $15 increase in returns when calves are marketed through a special sale. Last fall 360 were sold from Appomattox County and last spring only 36. We are marketing only about one-half percent of all the calves produced through a special sale. We could likely increase income from beef cattle by $75,000 if all cattle were marketed through special sales.

Why not start this year. Consignment to the Lynchburg Sales (March 31 and April 14) must be in by March 10.

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We're looking for a location where fire cured tobacco will be planted this year that has a problem with black shank.

Currently there is a recommendation using Ridomil at 4 to 6 qts. per acre plus a resistant variety to control black shank. Cost is the problem-- it runs $125 to $200 per acre. A recent change in the Ridomil label permits use of a split-application of Ridomil.

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Some work in Georgia showed that a split application reduced the rate to 3 quarts per acre. There is no data using this approach on fire cured tobacco.

If you have a field with a black shank history and would be interested in working on a cooperative project -- we would furnish the Ridomil -- please give me a call.

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The Appomattox Cattlemen will hold their spring meeting March 14, 6:30 P.M. at Elon Baptist Church, Pamplin.

K. C. Williamson, Va. Tech Animal Scientist, will discuss the Management and Economics of Grazing Steers.

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The Payment-In-Kind (PIK) program continues to look like a good choice for those farms that can qualify.

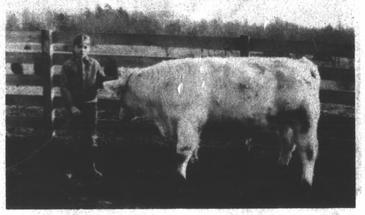
PIK is one of two major programs being conducted by USDA this year to reduce production of crops in surplus supply, limit government expenditures and improve farm income. The other is the Reduced Acreage Program or "RAP."

Farmer sign-up for RAP began October 1 and continues through March 11. PIK's sign-up, which began January 24, runs until March 11.

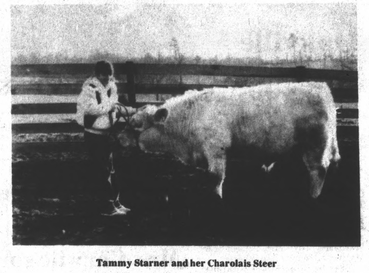
Farmers electing to participate in PIK must first be enrolled in RAP.

Check by the ASCS Office to determine your eligibility and take a look at what it can mean to you.

If you eligible, I don't believe you can afford not to participate in the PIK program.



Jennifer Starner and her Charolais Steer



Tammy Starner and her Charolais Steer

4-H livestock show set

Several Appomattox 4-H'ers are preparing for the Central Virginia Livestock Show to be held at the Lynchburg Livestock Market on Saturday, May 7. The Central Virginia Livestock Show will feature beef steers, beef heifers and market lambs. 4-H and FFA members from a seven-county area will participate in the show and sale.

Planning to participate in the show are Tammie and Jennifer Starner, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starner. Tammie and Jennifer are each raising a Charolais Steer. Their steers will weigh in excess of 1200 pounds when they are shown in May. Tami Giles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Y. Giles of Red House, will be showing a beef heifer as will Glen McClenny, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McClenny, Jr.

FCA stockholders to meet

The Farmville Farm Credit Association will hold their Annual Meeting for Stockholders in two sectional meetings, Tuesday, March 8th at Appomattox County High School and Thursday, March 10th at the Virginia United Methodist Assembly Center in Blackstone.

Some highlights of the meeting include election of Directors and Nominating Committee, delicious meal, entertainment and door prizes. The entertainment at Appomattox will be provided by the Chorale, a very lively group of Appomattox County High School students. The Ageless Wonders, a group of Senior Citizens will provide a variety of entertainment for the Blackstone Meeting. Each candidate for director will give a two minute talk prior to the elections.

Farmers are facing difficult economic times and need strong cooperatives in order to survive. The Farmville Production Credit Association is a cooperative providing short and intermediate term financing. Long term financing is provided by the Federal Land Bank Association of Farmville. Serving a twelve county area, branches are located in Farmville, South Hill, Lynchburg, Amelia and Lawrenceville.

Adult accounting class

A class for adults in beginning accounting is being planned for the Appomattox County School Division. Classes will meet on Thursday nights from 7 - 9 p.m. and will cover an eight week period for a total of 16 hours. Persons enrolling will use an accounting kit, which will cover the essential units for beginners and may use after the class ends. Cost for the class including the kit will be $22.50. The first class session will be Thursday night, March 17 in Room 301 at the Appomattox County High School. Persons interested in the class are to contact the Appomattox County School Board office (352-8253) between the hours of 8:30 - 5:00. "Pre-registration is essential," states R. B. Carter, Adult Education Coordinator, since it is necessary to have at least ten persons for a class.

Nash elected to AAA

Gray S. Nash, Appomattox, has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice-president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri.

The American Angus Association, with some 38,000 active life and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 10 million registered Angus. The Association records ancestral information and keeps records of production on individual animals for its members. These permanent records help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce high quality, efficient breeding cattle which are then recorded with the American Angus Association. Most of these registered Angus are used by the U.S. farmers and ranchers who raise high quality beef for U.S. consumption.

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ASCS Today

More on PIK

By TOM CONRAD

PIK To Cut Surplus Stocks, Strengthen Prices - Farmers can begin charting the course toward improved prices by signing up between now and March 11 for the payment-in-kind program administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Under the program, a farmer who takes out of production additional acres of wheat, feed grain, upland cotton and rice over what he agrees to take out under the current acreage reduction program, will receive as payment a certain amount of the commodity he or she would have grown on these acres. The PIK commodity will come form government-owned stocks.

The program is specifically designed to bring supply more in line with demand. Once production is lowered and stocks are significantly reduced through PIK, then substantial opportunities for price increases will exist. Farmers taking part in the program will avoid some variable costs and their production risks will also be lowered. In addition, financially strapped farmers participating in PIK will not have to borrow as much for producton expenses.

According to USDA officials, stocks of nearly all major commodities have increased dramatically. By the end of the late 1982/83 crop year, compared with two years earlier, ending stocks of rice and feed grains will have tripled. The farmer-owned reserve for corn will have increased twelve-fold approaching 2.5 billion bushels. The wheat reserve will have more than doubled and reached nearly 1 billion bushels.

Cotton stocks will be nearly three times larger than two years before.

We are now accepting applications for the program and will continue until March 11. Farmers are asked to sign up early to avoid a last-minute rush.

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Varsity basketball

Raiders are in

The Raider varsity basketball team gained berth in the Region III tournament last week, with a secondplace finish in the Seminole District Tournament.

Appomattox will face Laurel Park, runner-up in the Piedmont District, tonight (Thursday) at 6 p.m. in the Staunton River High School gymnasium.

In last week's district tournament, the Raider's lost to Gretna 64-43 in the final round Saturday night, following Friday night's 71-55 win against William Campbell.

The Raiders had an easy time of it against William Campbell, leading 34-18 at the half and 54-36 at the end of the third quarter.

Jeff Miller and Kevin Ferguson were high scorers against William Campbell with 17 and 15 points, respectivly. Rick Caldwell, Ricky Miller and Derwin Harvey each scored eight points, Bobby Carter and Mike Jackson scored five each, Gary Ferguson scored four, and John Hurt scored a point for the Raiders against William Campbell.

Leading scorers for William Campbell were Coston Cheatham with 20 points, and Donald Logan, with 12 points.

The Raiders and Gretna played closely in the first half of Saturday night's tournament finals, but the hot-handed Hawks pulled away from the Raiders in the second half and sealed the victory, 64-43.

Gretna built a six point lead in the first carter, which ended 15-9. In the second quarter Gretna outscored the Raiders by a point, 15-14 and the Hawks carried a 30-23 lead into the locker room with then at the half.

In the third quarter, the Hawks extended that lead to 43-31. Gretna heated up in the final quarter and outscored the Raiders 21-12 to finish the game with a 64-43 vicotry.

Kevin Ferguson and Jeff Miller scored double for the Raiders with 17 and 11 points, respectively. Others scoring for the Raiders were Rick Caldwell with six points, Gary Ferguson with three, and Ricky Miller, Derwin Harvey and Bobby Carter with two points each.

High scorers for Gretna were Randy Yeatts and Vincent Glass with 20 and 14 points respectively.

Following the district tournament Raider Coach Coty Dickerson said "I am extremely proud of our entire team for the efforts we showed against William Campbell and for qualifying for the regional tournament. Naturally it was disappointing to lose to Gretna, but our team was beaten by an outstanding team on Saturday night."

The coach continued, "Now we can concentrate on getting ready for Laurel Park. We know very little about their team except that they are very quick and talented. We look forward to the game as a challenge. and we recognize the importance of representing our district," Dickerson concluded.

The winner of tonight's regional tournament game will play Blue Ridge District champions Radford in the second round of the tournament tomorrow (Friday) night at 6 p.m.

LL registration set

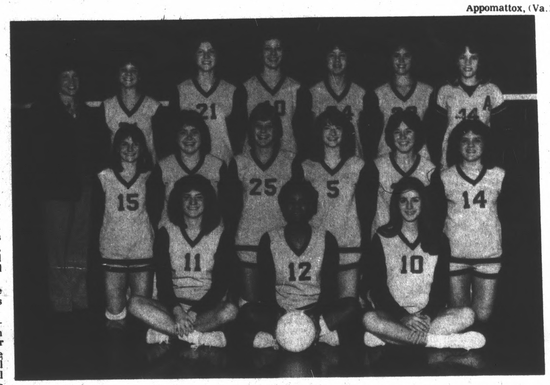
The Appomattox County Youth Association will hold registration for little league baseball March 5 and 12 from 10 a.m. to noon at Central Fidelity Bank in Appomattox, the fire hall in Pamplin, and at the old school in Oakville.

The sign-up includes boys and girls, ages six through 18. Those players, ages 13 through 18, are asked to sign up at Best Furniture Store.

A new format will be used this year, which will include T-Ball for those ages six through eight. The minor League (ages nine and ten) and the Major Leagues (ages 11 and 12) will remain the same. The Appomattox League is getting out of the Babe Ruth organizaiton and going to all Dixie Youth Leagues. In the Babe Ruth League, there were 13-year-olds competing against 15-year-olds. This year, there will be 12- and 14-year-olds in the Dixie Boys League, 15- and 16-year-olds in the Dixie Pre-Majors, and 17- and 18-year-olds in the Dixie Major League.

Registraiton fee will be $5. Players are asked to bring a copy of their birth certificate if they have not participated in Dixie Youth Baseball before.

Umpires are needed for the upcoming season. Anyone interested in helping is asked to contact Sammy Carter.



Champs

THE 1983 RAIDERETTE VOLLEYBALL TEAM: (front, from left) tri-captains Patty Roach, Ruby Smith and Suzan Eyhe; (middle row, from left) Karen Stevens, Janice Campbell, Kim Shupe, Tambra Hamlett, Diann Harvey, Beverly Bennett; (back row, from left) Coach Lucy Harris, Marsha Cheatham, Delores Smith, Sally Coleman, Kim Hancock, Shelia Mullins, Sherry Purcell. Cheryl Williams is not pictured.

Girls take district title

The Raiderette volleyball team finished their regular season undefeated in district play to win the Seminole District title.

The Raiderettes finished the season with a record of 8-0 after defeating a tough Jefferson Forest team. Game scores were 14-10; 11-14; 9-13; 15-10; 12-9.

Suzan Eye led the scoring for the Raiderettes with 17 points. Patty Roach had 16 serving points. They were followed by Ruby Smith with 9 points, Kim Hancock with 8 points, and Janice Campbell with 7 points. Kim Shupe added 4 points.

Ruby Smith led spikers with 34. Kim Hancock, Suzan Eye, and Kim Shupe had 14, 13 and 12 spikes, respectively.

Patty Roach had 32 sets followed by Janice Campbell with 26.

High scorers for Jefferson Forest were Susan Mears with 21 points and Patty Keys with 10 points.

The Raiderettes travel to Altavista Wednesday, March 2, to participate in the Seminole District Tournament. Games will be played at 5:00, 6:30, and 8:00 p.m.

Programs changed

This year, Appomattox County will be entering the Dixie Youth Baseball Program.

The league will be divided into three age groups, with ages 13 and 14 playing in one league, and ages 15-16 and 17-18 playing in the other leagues.

All league games will be played at the town ball park. The ball park will have a new look this year, with new lights, a new fence, backstop, dugouts, and other improvements.

"We know that this will make baseball much more enjoyable for the players and the fans at the town ball park," says Bookie Johnson, league spokesman.

All persons who are interested in playing baseball in Appomattox county this year are asked to come to one of the three registration places (Central Fidelity Bank, Pamplin fire hall, Oakville School) this Saturday, March 5, or next Saturday, March 12, between 10 a.m. and noon.

A registration form can be found in this issue of the paper. For further information, please call 352-7721 during the day or 352-8724 at night.

Baseball registration form

NAME_____ AGE____ HEIGHT____

ADDRESS_____ PHONE_____

DATE OF BIRTH_____

SIGNATURE OF PARENTS OR GUARDIAN

_____ DATE_____

I hereby give permission for the above named boy or girl to play (Basketball, Football or Baseball) in the Appomattox Youth Association.

RELEASE:

For and in consideration of my child being allowed to participate in the Appomattox Youth Association Program, I hereby release all coaches, officials, and the Appomattox Youth Association from any and all injuries which my child may sustain or receive while practicing in the above named mentioned program, either during practice or actual games or going to and from said practice or games.

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Team played for last year_____

Williamson is honored

Local martial arts expert Coy Dean Williamson will be featured in the 1982 edition of **Who's Who In Karate.**

Williamson, a native of Appomattox County, was one of 400 martial artists chosen from a field of over 20,000 applicants nationwide for feature inclusion in this publication.

According to **Who's Who** publisher Dale Brooks, Williamson was selected in recognition of his dedication to the practice and development of his art.

Who's Who In Karate, which is scheduled for release this December, is endorsed by the American Martial Arts Association.

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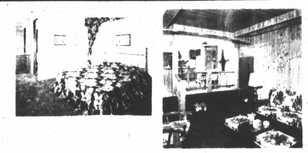

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